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The reply filed on 11-13-06 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): In the restriction requirement, Applicants were requested to elect a single disclosed species of "specific glycol moiety." In their response, while Applicants elected a specific protein, Applicants elected polyethylene glycol as the glycol moiety. This election did not qualify as a "specific glycol moiety" but constituted an election to a genus. Note that claim 5 recites linear dihydroxy PEGs, hydroxyPEG-mono acetyl and hydroxyl PEG monoacids and claim 21 recite monohydroxyPEG-acid and dihydroxyPEG-lysine. All of the claimed PEG's are subgenerics of the genus polyethylene glycol. Applicants are requested to elect a single disclosed polyethylene glycol moiety, that specifically defined and has a specific molecular weight. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anish Gupta whose telephone number is (571)272-0965. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cecilia Tsang, can normally be reached on (571) 272-0562. The fax phone number of this group is (571)-273-8300.


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